



Presentation by the Department of Fish and Wildlife on Ecosystem Priorities and Relative Environmental Values for the Water Storage Investment Program

Background

In November 2014, California voters passed [Proposition 1: the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014](#). The bond dedicated \$2.7 billion to be continuously appropriated to the California Water Commission to pay for the public benefits of water storage projects and requires the Commission to develop regulations for the quantification and management of the public benefits of water storage projects. The Commission is carrying out its new responsibilities through the Water Storage Investment Program.

Proposition 1 requires the Commission to incorporate the priorities and relative environmental values of ecosystem benefits as provided by the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW). Over the last several months, the Commission has been working closely with DFW to develop and implement the WSIP. At this meeting, Scott Cantrell, Chief of DFW's Water Branch, will present DFW's draft Ecosystem Priorities and Relative Environmental Values. This is an informational item.

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